

24 March 1982

NOTE FOR: Tom Cormack

RE: NSC Counterterrorist NSDD
Proposal

Suggest you tell Mike Wheeler the DCI does not concur and plans to discuss with Judge Clark.

Our concerns center on:

--there is no provision for intelligence as a player;

--the proposal does not prompt a national program to work this problem on a day-to-day basis beginning now. It's more or less business as usual until an incident occurs;

--there may be some merit in having the interdepartmental group on terrorism chaired by the NSC and not the Department of State or for that matter any other department;

--the DCI's Critical Intelligence Problems Committee is concluding a study on this very subject--it might be well for the NSC to await the results of that study, due momentarily.

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